

REMARKS

Claims 1, 10 and 13 to 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b). Claims 2 to 9, 11 and 12 were indicated as allowable.

Claims 1 and 15 have been amended. Claims 16 to 19 have been added.

Reconsideration of the present application in view of the following is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

Claims 1, 10 and 13 to 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Burke.

Burke shows a former board for folding a web in half. The control seal 406 of Burke moves perpendicular air slot 310. Air slots 310 are not arranged axially in the former board.

Claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the present invention is directed to an angle bar as shown in the specification in Fig. 1, and now recited an angle-bar for deflecting material webs in a rotary press with “an angle-bar jacket having an axial length and a width, the axial length being greater than the width, and having a plurality of axially-spaced air outlet openings” and “closing elements for sealing off the air outlet openings, the closing elements being axially movable in the angle bar jacket.”

Burke does not show a plurality of axially-spaced air outlet openings, nor closing elements axially movable in the angle bar jacket. The seals 406 of Burke move perpendicular to the axial direction.

Withdrawal of the rejection to claims 1, 10 and 13 to 15 is respectfully requested.

New claims 16 to 19 are also respectfully presented as patentable over Burke.

CONCLUSION

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance and applicants respectfully request such action.

If any additional fees are deemed to be due at this time, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Respectfully presented,

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